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AMERICAN HEROISM.

As some one whose name is forgot-
ten has remarked, "the heroes are not
all dead yet." When, on the 30th ult.,
there was a terrible collision on the
Erie railroad at Arlington, N. Y., there
were two examples of remarkable her-
oism.

George Hull, a brakeman on the
through fast freight, was on the last
car as the train mounted the steep
grade near Montclair. Suddenly the
last two cars stopped, then began to
slowly move down grade. The cou-
pling had broken. Hull sprang to the
brake. He knew that there was a
down grade for five miles and that a
passenger train was coming. The two
cars were loaded with paving stones.
As some linemen saw the cars moving
slowly by them, they shouted, "Jump!
You can't stop them!" "Not much,"
Hull stuck. He shouted back. The
brakes were out of order. At Soho the
grade strikes a short level. Hull had
succeeded in making the brakes work,
and almost stopped the runaway.
Here, also, some railroad men shouted
to him, "Jump, you fool!" "No," he
cried, "I'll stick it through!" He could
easily have jumped then, for the cars
were running slowly. Again they
came to a steep down grade. Just as
the runaway freight cars struck the
Little Falls local, Brakeman Hull
jumped, and was bruised and cut, but
not seriously wounded. One person
was killed and several injured. Many
more would have been killed had it not
been for the self abnegation of Hero
Hull.

The first man to be pulled out of the
wreck was Stephen Ricker, baggage-
man. He was badly scalded, and his
leg was broken, but as the rescuers
carried him away he shouted: "Send
back your red flag! Don't forget it!
Save the train behind!" In his pocket
they found a pouch containing \$1,500.
"Put that bag in somebody's safe," he
said, "that's the company's money."
Broken, bruised and scalded, his first
thought was for the safety of others,
his second of his duty to his employers.
Major W. A. Stokes of the Twenty-
third regiment, N. G. N. Y., of Brook-
lyn, was badly injured, his head being
cut open and his right shoulder dislo-
cated, but he declined aid until all the
injured were rescued from the ruins.
When urged to go to the nearest shel-
ter he said: "Not while there is a
man in that wreck. I am worth a
dozen dead men, and I am going to
help."

We need not wonder that American
soldiers are recognized as the bravest
of the brave. Their heroism was
latent, like a kodak picture on a roll
of film, and only needed an opportu-
nity to develop it.

Another noteworthy illustration of
self sacrificing heroism was manifested
recently by the Rt. Rev. F. D. Hunt-
ington, bishop of Central New York,
one of the best beloved and most hon-
ored of men. It was proposed to cele-
brate the thirtieth anniversary of his
elevation to the Episcopate, but he
vetted the proposition, asking his
friends to give to the needy churches
the money they had designed to raise
for the celebration in his honor.

There is a general consensus of opin-
ion regarding the obnoxiousness of the
present school hours. Just why such a
system has been adopted no one seems
to know. That, however, is a detail.
The law is plain on this subject and
neither the superintendent nor the
school boards have any business to do
otherwise than to obey the statute.
That the school hours as now fixed are
unpopular is agreed. Now that the
matter has been brought squarely be-
fore the public it is the duty of the
school authorities to remedy the evil
without delay. The Republican hopes
to see this done without serious dan-
age to the dignity of the powers which
control the city schools.

In a few short weeks the tide of
tourist travel will again turn toward
Phoenix. The streets are in practi-
cally the same condition they were a
year ago. Cannot something be done
as an earnest of the future? If it is
impossible to pave the whole of
Washington street a start at least
could be made.

KNOCKERS NOT WANTED.

Everything points to a prosperous
winter in Phoenix. Times every-
where are better. Crops have been
good in Arizona the past season and
rains plentiful. Cattle are in demand
at excellent prices. Sheep and wool
are worth a hundred per cent more
than three years ago.

Mining activity was never so great.
In short, the general outlook was
never better. Phoenix is the capital
and the railroad and business center of
the territory. It is surrounded by the
most productive agricultural lands in
the world. The most favorable cli-
matic conditions in the southwest pre-
vail here. Here is the foundation of
a great city which should become the
bulwark of a great commonwealth.

Nature has been lavish with her
favors, still there is something lack-
ing. Newcomers are the first to no-
tice and remark the shortcomings of
a community. That Phoenix pos-
sesses her share, it is folly to deny.
To single out and remedy these de-
fects should be the duty of every ci-
tizen. The Republican will perhaps
be criticized for dwelling upon this
painful subject, but a few facts will
not injure the cause.

A town cannot grow healthfully
without concerted action on the part
of the inhabitants. So long as one por-
tion is "boosted" at the expense of an-
other there can be no uniform growth.
A "stringtown" appearance will surely
result and investors will fight shy of
property of erratic values. It has of-
ten been said by visitors and invest-
ors especially that Phoenix was full of
"knockers." Whether this be true or
not, the name of it is bad enough.

For instance, a stranger wishes to
buy a residence lot in a certain portion
of the city. He is, perhaps, injudicious
enough to let his object become known.
From that time on he is regaled with
the private history of every owner of
real estate in the town. He is told
that if he buys in a certain locality
that he will be flooded out annually.
In another that the elevation is too
great to insure a water supply. That
another is too low for proper sewerage.
That still others are too far out, and,
in fact, every reason liable to "knock"
a competitor is used, with the result
that the prospective investor concludes
that he wants none of it. When it
comes to business property the same
general methods prevail. The stranger
is told not to buy here or there be-
cause the town is growing in the op-
posite direction, or that the growth in
this or that direction can no longer
continue, owing to some silly and prob-
ably imaginary obstacle.

It may be urged that this condition
is the result of competition and that it
is purely a matter of business. This is
wrong. Business is not conducted on
any such basis. It is purely a case of
"knocking" and not business at all.
It injures the city and no one is the
gainer. Los Angeles was not built up
by such methods. There every busi-
ness man looks to the city's welfare
first. In proportion to, size Phoenix
possesses as much brains, energy and
ability as Los Angeles, but it must be
properly directed if our unequalled re-
sources are to be taken advantage of.

One of the first duties of the newly
organized board of trade should be to
see that a spirit of unanimity prevails
among the members of that body re-
garding the enterprises to be under-
taken by it. "Knockers," irresponsible
brokers and unreliable business
men should be carefully looked after
and their unwise counsels neutralized.
With everything now so propitious,
and with the right start, wonders can
be accomplished for Phoenix and the
Salt River valley in the next few months.

The lurid controversy going on be-
tween the Prescott dailies regarding
the re-establishment of Fort Whipple
seems to lack a bone of contention.
Fort Whipple is going to be rehabili-
tated. Ex-Secretary Alger has said so,
also his successor, Mr. Root. The
people of Prescott want the post im-
proved and regarrisoned. So does
every citizen of the territory. The
Journal-Miner has published
columns in favor of it, as has
The Republican and other territorial
newspapers. The Courier states in a
recent issue that it has always favored
the maintenance of the post, and there
you are. It would appear, that if there
was any ground for doubting the sin-
cerity of the assurances of the war de-
partment, this unseemly wrangling be-
tween home papers would stimulate it.
A safer method would be to stop "jow-
ling" and all pull for Whipple.

Phoenix cannot be built in a day
any more than could ancient Rome,
but the work can be pushed along a
little at all times. There is much to
be proud of in the capital city—more
than in most places of its size, but
there are lots of little things to be
ashamed of. We praise of the spirit of
western enterprise, which is all
right in its way, but "faith without
works is dead," and if Phoenix does
the work her neighbors will throw
the bouquets.

Latest reports from the office of the
city recorder are to the effect that ap-
plications have been received yet from
the obdying additions, praying for in-
corporation. Everybody is not ex-
pected to speak at once but it is time
the conversation was opened up.

THE CANVASS IN KENTUCKY.

The Kentucky campaign continues
to develop along very unusual lines.
We have never had anything like it in
the country before, and probably no
other state could produce such a cam-
paign now.

Mr. Goebel, goaded by the attacks on
him by the bolting democrats, recently
threw discretion to the winds and re-
sponded with some of the coarsest
abuse of his critics ever heard of from
a man seeking high public office. Even
his friends were amazed. His advisers
held up a warning hand immediately.
They could not hope to influence him
merely by telling him that he was put-
ting his life in danger, so they went
to the head of the Goebel ticket, and
from such a cause would completely
wreck his following. That called him
to his senses, and he at once put a
bridle on his tongue. He has not of-
fended in that way since.

Among the rank and file of the bol-
ters there was equal anxiety. The fear
there was that some of those who had
been so furiously assailed by Mr. Goe-
bel would kill him, and that that, in-
stead of ending the campaign of the
Goebellites, would strengthen it. A
new and unending man place at the
head of the Goebel ticket might play
upon the sympathies of the people and
carry the ticket to victory. So these
high tempered men were besought to
swallow their personal discomfiture
for the party's sake.

This is veritable richness. The
mountain feuds are not more original
in their line. The Goebellites plead
with their leader thus: "Live for our
sake! If you care nothing for your
own life, think of the cause, and of us!
We need you most desperately in our
business. The bullet that would end
you would end the cause." And Mr.
Goebel responds, "Sweet lady, I live for
you!"

The bolters plead with those whom
Mr. Goebel has denounced: "Don't
kill him! We have him beaten, and it
is better to beat him than to kill him.
Don't make a mess of things. For our
purposes, he is as good as dead. But
a new man in his place might give us
trouble." And so wisdom reigns, and
the democratic candidate for governor
of Kentucky still lives.—Washington
Star.

ANOTHER WORD TO MR. BRYAN.

The Journal cannot "come out for
Philippine independence" in the sense
that you suggest.

First—Because it honestly believes
that the Philippines would not have in-
dependence if left to themselves, but
would be governed by a military des-
pot, that they cannot have greater in-
dividual liberty than by becoming citi-
zens of the United States.

Second—Because it honestly believes
that the Philippine islands will be of
great advantage to the United States
as civilization moves westward
and our trade with Asia develops as it
is developing, the islands will be of
immense value as depots and distrib-
uting points in addition to their in-
trinsic wealth; that we cannot afford
to overlook material advantage, as the
wealth of a country means largely the
welfare of its citizens.

Third—Because we honestly believe
that expansion is good democratic doc-
trine, since it brings a condition that
offers increased opportunity to the
masses, and since most of our expan-
sion has been done under good demo-
cratic presidents.

Finally, because it honestly believes
that the democratic party at present is
seriously injuring its chances by de-
claring against expansion, and is run-
ning the risk of returning to its hope-
lessly unsuccessful policy of obstruc-
tion and opposition for mere oppor-
tunity's sake that kept it out of power
for so many years—because the Jour-
nal thinks that by this policy the de-
mocracy will alienate from itself all
that is young, ardent, vigorous and
progressive in the nation, and prevent
many a man from voting for it who in
all other things is opposed to Demo-
cratism.—N. Y. Journal (Dem.).

PUT IT DOWN.

A Washington correspondent of the
Pittsburg Dispatch writes that when
Mr. McKinley arrived in Washington
he found nearly a dozen mail bags full
of letters about his speech to the Tench
Pennsylvania. He received thousands
of telegrams on the same subject while
he was in Ohio. "Nine hundred and
ninety-nine out of a thousand," says
the correspondent, "commend him for
the stand he has taken, and say that
the insurrection must be suppressed
before any consideration can be given
to any question of governmental pol-
icy."

Put down the insurrection and estab-
lish the sovereignty of the United
States in the Philippines! One would
suppose that all Americans would be
in favor of asserting the rights of their
country, of defending its honor, in fact,
for it cannot weakly yield to a pack of
rebels without incurring perpetual
shame. But faction has carried the
democrats to such a pass that they
are shouting: "Stop your brutal war!
Take down your flag, the symbol of
tyranny and oppression! Give up
your Philippines! Help the noble, he-
roic, unselfish Aguinaldo, the mestizo
Washington, to make himself sup-
reme."

The majority of Americans believe
that rebels against the peace and au-
thority of the United States should be
put down, not set up in business for
themselves.—N. Y. Sun.

A GOOD SHOWING.

As disclosed in the regular monthly
statistics, the situation of the treasury
is a satisfactory one. The govern-
ment's revenues show a gradual in-
crease. The receipts for August
amounted to \$49,978,173, which rep-
resented an increase of over \$1,900,000
as compared with July and of over \$8-
200,000 as compared with August 1898.
Of the increase over last year the
receipts from customs furnish the
greatest share. The expenditures for
the month amounted to \$45,522,211,
which represented a decrease of over
\$11,000,000 as compared with those for
the preceding month and of over \$18-
700,000 as compared with the corre-
sponding month of last year. In the
list of expenditures the largest item is,
of course, that required for the conduct
of the war, which is less by over \$4-
600,000 than was recorded for July.
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ing off.



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